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1. In November 1950 the Armastav Construction Company was engaged for the construction of a military barracks southwest of Klatovy, Bohemia. /For more exact location of barracks see Enclosure (A)/ The first two buildings were completed in the Spring of 1951. The entire area around the barracks is enclosed by a wire fence 2.5 meters high. Approximately 500 soldiers and 400 civilians were employed on the construction and the soldiers were quartered in temporary wooden barracks.

2. When I was in the area five large four-story brick buildings and three two-story buildings were being constructed. The completion of the two-story buildings had been given top priority.

3. The entire military area is posted with signs stating that entrance is strictly forbidden. An antiaircraft battery is located at nearby Kakote Castle.

4. Any stopping of vehicles within the area of the three radar stations /See Enclosure/ is forbidden, and soldiers in air force uniforms are constantly on patrol there. Personnel servicing the radar station are quartered in a hotel at Janovice The hotel (formerly called the Kobler) is only 300 meters from the radar stations and is used for military purposes exclusively.

5. The military airfield has one hangar and no hard top runways. Aircraft were constantly seen taking off and landing at the airfield.

6. A new shaft for iron ore had been opened. A tunnel, 200 meters long, contains a narrow gauge railroad track. All iron ore mined is transported to Pilsen.

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ENCLOSURE (A): Sketch Showing Location of New Barracks Near Klatovy With Legend

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ENCLOSURE (A)

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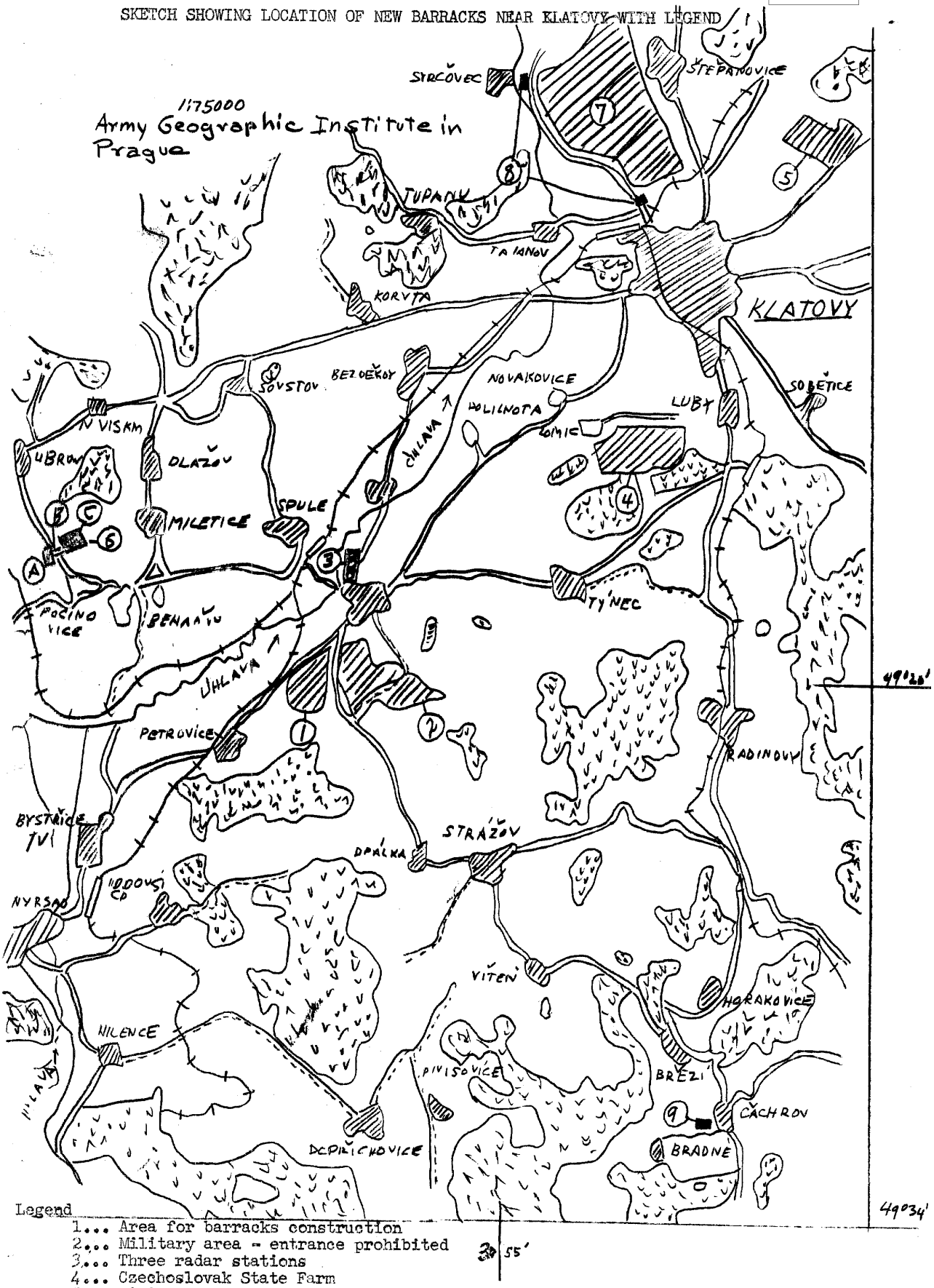
SKETCH SHOWING LOCATION OF NEW BARRACKS NEAR KLATOVY WITH LEGEND



Legend

1... Area for barracks construction
2... Military area - entrance prohibited
3... Three radar stations
4... Czechoslovak State Farm
5... Military airfield
6... (a) Storage for mined ore (b) Tunnel into mine (c) Ventilation shaft
7... Military firing range for Klatovy garrison (operated since April 1951).
8... Sentry posts during live-firing
9... Location of Army transmitter

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